Introduction

The *Publicly Funded Cleanups Site Status Report 2003* details efforts by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's (NJDEP) Site Remediation and Waste Management Program to investigate and clean up contaminated properties using public funds. NJDEP issues the *Publicly Funded Cleanups Site Status Report* every year pursuant to P.L. 1997, chapter 234, the legislation that dedicated annual appropriations of New Jersey's Corporate Business Tax receipts for site investigations and cleanups.

The report summarizes work conducted through December 31, 2003 at 234 sites in the Remedial Response Element of the Division of Remediation Management and Response, including 51 federal Superfund sites where NJDEP is working with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) to resolve environmental problems. (The remaining 61 Superfund sites in New Jersey are being addressed by USEPA.) Sites covered in this report include industrial facilities, inactive landfills, gasoline stations with leaking underground storage tanks, illegal hazardous waste disposal sites and unknown source ground water contamination areas where municipal or private potable wells have been affected.

A discussion of the types of activities conducted by NJDEP and USEPA at publicly funded sites can be found at <u>The Remedial Process</u>. This in-depth explanation provides details of the investigation, design, construction and operation and maintenance phases of the remedial process.

The report contains a list of <u>Completed Sites</u> where all investigation and remedial work are finished. Also available is <u>Site Transfers</u>, a list of contaminated sites that were initially addressed with public funds, but where the responsible parties ultimately agreed to complete the necessary work with USEPA and/or NJDEP oversight.

In addition to these site descriptions, the Site Remediation and Waste Management Program maintains the Known Contaminated Sites in NJ list, which lists all known sites, both privately and publicly funded, in New Jersey.